Extension of Educational Facilities to Scheduled Hindus and Scheduled Christians

527. Sri S. R. SHANMUGAM (K. G. F.).—

Will the Minister for Social Welfare be pleased to the reply given to my Starred Question No. 586. (727) on 1st April 1969 in 33rd List and state :

(*a*) whether the Government has examined the question of removing the distinction between the Scheduled Hindu and Scheduled Christians in the matter of extending educational facilities ;

(*b*) if so, the result of the examination ?

Sri V. L. PATIL (Minister for Social Welfare).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Government are of the view that the Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe individuals who are converted to other faiths be treated on the same terms as the members of those other faiths are entitled to, and that the existing educational concessions are fairly liberal, and no change is considered necessary at present.

Earthquake in Gujarat

ಶ್ರೀ ಟಿ. ಆರ್. ಶಾಮಣ್ಣ (ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-ಕೋಟೆ).—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ನಮಗೆ ತಿಳಿದಹಾಗೆ, ಗುಜರಾತಿನಲ್ಲಿ ನಿನ್ನೆ ಭೂಕಂಪವಾಗಿ ಅನೇಕ ಜನರು ಸತ್ತಿದ್ದಾರೆ.

Mr. SPEAKER.—If the hon. Member wants to raise any matter, he should first give a notice. In the absence of any such notice, I connot allow any point to be raised.

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Mr. SPEAKER.—The hon. Member should follow the procedure. If he gives a notice, I shall consider it.

Forged or Duplicate Lottery Tickets

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA (Harihara).—Sir, I had given a notice regarding forged lottery tickets.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have already replied to the hon. Member that he will be permitted to raise the matter on the arrival of the Finance Minister.